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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. Gastrointestinal apparatus comprising:
a guidewire; and
a gastrointestinal tool formed with a bore, said guidewire passing through said bore.
2. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said guidewire comprises a distal stop that prevents movement of said gastrointestinal tool therepast.
3. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises an imaging device.
4. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said imaging device comprises at least one of a CCD camera, an illumination device, a vision device, an ultrasound sensor, and an x-ray emitter.
5. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises a catheter that slides over said guidewire.
6. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 5, wherein said catheter comprises a lumen for passing therethrough at least one of an instrument and a fluid.
7. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises a chamfer for facilitating passage through a lumen.
8. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises a cutting tool.
9. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises a sampling device.
10. The gastrointestinal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises a magnetic device.
11. A method for constructing a gastrointestinal apparatus, comprising:
providing a guidewire;
providing a gastrointestinal tool formed with a bore; and
sliding said gastrointestinal tool over said guidewire, said guidewire passing through said bore.
12. The method according to claim 11, further comprising sliding another tool over said guidewire that cooperates with said gastrointestinal tool.
13. The method according to claim 11, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises an imaging device.

14. The method according to claim 11, wherein said gastrointestinal tool comprises a catheter that slides over said guidewire.

15. The method according to claim 11, further comprising sliding a collapsible sleeve over said guidewire and inflating said sleeve to create an endoscope, said inflated sleeve comprising at least one channel.